

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**Art Unit:** 1732 **Confirmation No.:** 1865  
**Examiner:** Tentoni, Leo B.  
**Applicants:** Dickson et al.  
**Patent No:** 5,900,199  
**Reg. Date:** May 4, 1999  
**For:** PROCESS FOR MAKING A VEHICLE GRILLE GUARD

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**PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.377**

Mail Stop Petitions  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions the United States Patent and Trademark Office under 37 CFR 1.377 in response to an error that was present in the identifying data required by 37 CFR 1.366(c) with a maintenance fee payment.

The facts are as follows:

1) A 12<sup>th</sup> year maintenance fee with surcharge was paid on April 18, 2011 for Patent No. 5,900,199 (Application No. 08976416). A copy of a Maintenance Fee Statement for Patent No. 5,900,199 is included at Attachment 1.

2) An error was present in the identifying data included with the payment. Specifically, the patent number and application number were incorrect.

3) The correct identifying data for the payment is **Patent No. 5,915,830 (Application No. 08985146)**.

4) The 12<sup>th</sup> year maintenance fee with surcharge payment for **Patent No. 5,915,830** (**Application No. 08985146**) is due **June 29, 2011**. A copy of a Maintenance Fee Statement for **Patent No. 5,915,830** is included at Attachment 2.

5) A petition fee of \$200.00 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.17(g) is submitted herewith. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication, to Deposit Account No. 50-3372.

The requirements for the Petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.377 to correct an error that is present in the identifying data required by 37 CFR 1.366(c) with a maintenance fee payment have been met. Therefore, Petitioner respectfully requests granting of this Petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.377 and timely transfer of the maintenance fee with surcharge payment to **Patent No. 5,915,830** (**Application No. 08985146**).

Respectfully submitted,



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**Maintenance Fee Statement**

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**Patent Number:** 5900199

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According to the records of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), the maintenance fee and any necessary surcharge have been timely paid for the patent listed below. The "PYMT DATE" column indicates the payment date (i.e., the date the payment was filed).

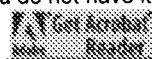
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Window Opens:	06/29/2010	Surcharge Date:	12/30/2010
Window Closes:	06/29/2011	Payment Year:	12
Entity Status:	SMALL		
Customer Number:	000000		
Street Address:	HARNESS DICKEY & PIERCE		
City:	BLOOMFIELD HILLS		
State:	MI		
Zip Code:	48303		
Phone Number:	(000) 000-0000		
Fee Code:	2553	Fee Code Amount:	\$2,055.00
Surcharge Fee Code:	2556	Surcharge Fee Code Amount:	\$65.00
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